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THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" According to the information at my disposal, no representation for grants in connection with the budget for 1954–55 has been received by the Government. If fresh requests are received, they will be considered."

SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR :—" Sir, in a letter addressed to me on 26th February 1954, it was stated that a memorandum, a copy of which has been given to me, also has been submitted. Anyhow, I will submit this memorandum now to the Hon. Minister."

Survey of old estate lands.

* 872 *Q.*—SRI K. V. RAMASWAMY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) the extent of lands in the old estates now taken over that have been surveyed by the Government up-to-date ; and

(*b*) the total expenditure incurred by the Government in this regard from 1952 to February 1954?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—
" (*a*) The extent of lands in the estate areas surveyed in the residuary Madras State up to February 1954 is 4,401·27 square miles.

" (*b*) The total expenditure incurred by the Government for the survey of lands in the estate areas of the Residuary Madras State for the period from April 1952 to January 1954 is Rs. 22,38,822. The expenditure incurred in February 1954 is not known as the particulars from the subordinate officers have not been received."

SRI K. V. RAMASWAMY :—" இந்த ராஜ்யம் பூராவும் இருக்கக்கூடிய சர்வே ஆகாத எஸ்டேட் நிலங்கள் எவ்வளவு என்பதையும், அவைகள் எல்லாவற்றிலும் சர்வே செய்ய எவ்வளவு காலம் பிடிக்கும், அதற்கு எவ்வளவு பணம் செலவு ஆகும் என்பதையெல்லாம் கனம் மந்திரி அவர்கள் சொல்வார்களா ? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" I think it would take about 4 or 5 years, Sir and the amount will be in the order of some lakhs."

SRI S. VENKATARAMA AYYAR :—" As settlement has to be effected only after survey operations are over, will the Government be pleased to increase the staff of the Survey Department so as to expedite the work."

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Yes, Sir. We have already increased the staff in certain cases. We shall consider in what other places it is absolutely necessary to increase the staff."